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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6930 BILL NUMBER: HB 1492 **DATE PREPARED:** Feb 16, 2001 **BILL AMENDED:** Feb 15, 2001

SUBJECT: Environmental Quality Service Council.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

STATE IMPACT	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
State Revenues			
State Expenditures		19,000	19,000
Net Increase (Decrease)		(19,000)	(19,000)

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill increases the membership of the Clean Manufacturing Technology Board by adding a representative who is appointed by the Governor and must have expertise in occupational health and the workplace environment. The bill eliminates the limitation against Board members serving more than two consecutive terms and provides that meetings of the Board shall be held in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5.

This bill also reestablishes and extends the Environmental Quality Service Council (EQSC) through December 31, 2005. It reduces the number of members who serve on the EQSC from 24 to 18 and provides that one of the two EQSC members representing local government may be a solid waste management district director.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) An appointed member of the Clean Manufacturing Technology Board is not entitled to the minimum salary per diem. An appointed member is, however, entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses incurred in connection with the duties of the member. The board must meet at least quarterly. The proposal adds an additional member to the board. The impact is expected to be minimal, less than \$500, and would be paid from the budget of the Indiana

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Department of Environmental Management.

Legislative Council Resolution 00-2 (adopted May 25, 2000) provides that the budget of any study committee consisting of at least 16 members is \$18,500. Public Law 248-1996 provides that the EQSC consists of 24 members. Hence, the EQSC is allowed an annual budget of \$18,500.

The budget of the EQSC is paid from the legislator travel account within the Legislative Services Agency budget. Legislative Services Agency appropriations come from the State General Fund.

For the 2000 interim and as of December 6, 2000, the Council spent \$14,300 of its total budget. Extending the life of the Council through December 31, 2003, will result in an annual expenditure from the State General Fund of at most \$18,500. Expenditures could be reduced due to the reduction in the number of members on the Council. Legislative Services Agency will provide staff for the Council, as it currently does. The Agency will incur no additional expenses.

The bill also eliminates a provision that requires the Board to publish meeting notices in two daily newspapers and in the Indiana Register. The savings to the Board and the Indiana Register as a result of this provision would be minimal.

The total impact of the proposal is estimated at \$19,000 in additional expenses.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services Agency, Clean Manufacturing Technology Board, and the Department of Environmental Management.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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